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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 23, 2001, the following documents are enclosed to complete the filing of the above-identified patent application:

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2. A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted

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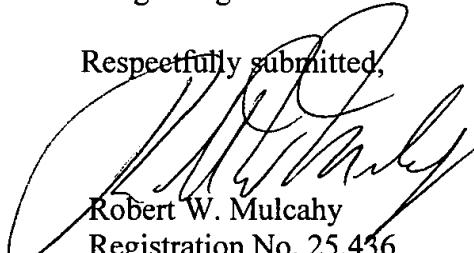
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It is hereby respectfully submitted that the enclosed documents complete the filing of the above-named patent application and justify the filing date of 25JE2001 . Please telephone the undersigned at (408) 563-2726, if there are any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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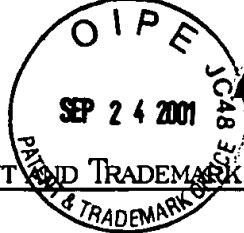
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**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

***Filing Date Granted***

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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